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DISPATCH NO. MGL-A-4392

CLASSIFICATION

TO : Chief, FIM DATE: 12 December 1950

FROM : Chief of Station, Karlsruhe *C/JS*

SUBJECT: GENERAL- *6* *C/W Operational mths - Pulloch*
SPECIFIC- *TSAGE, Hungarian Operations*

REF : MGL-A-4051, paras 2 and 4

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1. XX 5 informs that he received a postcard from XX 55 from Budapest, dated 10 November (bearing the mail-stamp 11 November, 15:00 hours, post office 72), whereon, in sympathetic ink, XX 55 informs that he would return on 18 November. The given date meant that he intended to break the border on such date. XX 55 has so far been very punctual.

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2. XX 55 did not arrive so far. Instead, on 20 November, XX 5 received the unconfirmed information that XX 55, when trying to break the border during the night of 16 November, became engaged with Hungarian border guards and was killed by machine gun fire. This incident occurred in the district of Sopron, and specifically in the vicinity of the Austrian village Nikitsch (Bezirkshauptmannschaft Oberpullendorf), but on Hungarian soil.

3. On first sight it does not seem probable that XX 55 on his way back should have chosen this route. It was planned that he would cross the border farther south.

4. XX 5 confirms that XX 55 had no knowledge of the general organizational picture, and that it is most unlikely that he carried any written information on him. However it must be assumed that he carried Minox Camera, No. 20136, and four films - believed to be exposed - with him.

5. Should XX 55 - as it presently must be feared - be killed, no danger from this incident would have to be expected for his personal connections in Hungary and Austria.

6. All steps have been taken to

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(2)(A) Privacy

(2)(B) Methods/Source

(2)(G) Foreign Relations

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- a. find if shooting has been noticed at the given night and vicinity,
- b. if any arrests have occurred in Hungary concerning persons, with whom XX 55 was connected,
- c. establish the likelihood of the information that reached XX 5 on 20 November.

7. The matter is being followed up with extreme care, and further reports will follow.

8. If confirmed, this sad incident will but mean a certain loss of time.

NOTE: The above is the verbatim report as it reached us from USAGE. We do not yet know how the report of this alleged mishap reached XX 5, nor what leads them to believe that the man was killed and not perhaps wounded and captured, or just captured. Unless his death can be affirmed we must consider that the people he contacted as described in reference memo are either lost or endangered.

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